

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
October 15, 2018**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on October 15, 2018 in Board Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jennifer Phelps, LPN, Chairperson
Meenakshi Shah, BA, RN

STAFF PRESENT: Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP, Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Tammie D. Jones, Adjudication Specialist
St. Mary's School of Practical Nursing, faculty and students

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Alvita Barley, LPN 0002-078443**
Ms. Barley appeared accompanied by her attorney, Eileen Talamante, Esquire.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:13 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Barley. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:28 A.M.

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Shah moved to issue an Order of Reprimand to Alvita Barley. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Barley unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Barley within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Jeffrey Hubble, RN 0001-186407

Mr. Hubble appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:36 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Hubble. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:04 P.M.

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Shah moved to issue an Order to place Jeffrey Hubble on probation with terms for one (1) year of employment as a Registered Nurse.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Hubble unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Hubble within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Shana McDade-Cook, RN 0001-252080

Ms. McDade-Cook appeared accompanied by her attorney, Eileen Talamante, Esquire.

Others present: Michael Nelson, Director of Foundation.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:12 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. McDade-Cook. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:48 P.M.

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Shah moved to issue an Order of Reprimand to Shana McDade-Cook.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. McDade-Cook unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. McDade-Cook within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated

RECESS: The committee recessed at 1:50 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The committee reconvened at 2:20 P.M.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED: **Alula Assefaw, RN 0001-238504**
Mr. Assefaw appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 3:49 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Assefaw. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:58 P.M.

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Shah moved to issue an Order to Dismiss the case against Alula Assefaw and Impose No Sanction due to insufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary action.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Assefaw unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Assefaw within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:**

Amanda Pagan, LPN 0002-087846
Ms. Pagan did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:05 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Pagan. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 4:10 P.M.

Ms. Shah moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Shah moved to offer Amanda Pagan a Consent Order for the Indefinite Suspension of her license in lieu of a Formal Hearing with said Suspension Stayed contingent upon verification of Ms. Pagan's entry into the Health Practitioner Monitoring Program. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Pagan and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 4:10 P.M.



Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP
Deputy Executive Director